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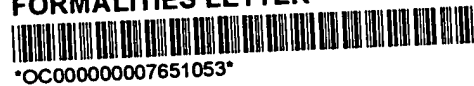
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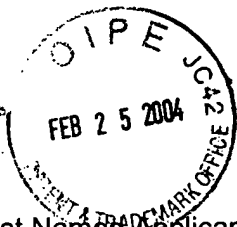
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First Named Applicant: Wei (et al)
Serial No.: 10/016,096
Filed: 12.10.2001
Title: Endplate Detection in Digital Radiograph by Dynamic
Programming Using Both Local and Global Constraints

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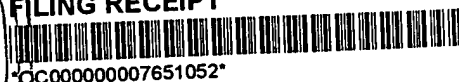
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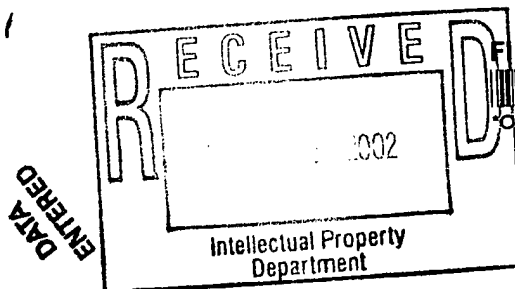
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Title

Endplate detection in digital radiography by dynamic programming using both local and global constraints

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